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September 21, 2012

Ms. Carol Ropski Superfund Division Enforcement and Compliance Assurance Branch Enforcement Services Section 1, SE-5J U.S. Environmental Protection Agency 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, Illinois 60604-3590

Re: South Dayton Dump and Landfill Site, Moraine, Ohio

Site Spill Identification Number: B52B General Notice of Potential Liability

Dear Ms. Ropski:

On behalf of Bradford Soap International, Inc. ("Bradford Soap"), I am writing in response to the above referenced General Notice letter dated September 10, 2012, in which Bradford Soap was included as an addressee.

Please be advised of the following facts:

- 1. Bradford Soap was never an owner or operator of the Site.
- 2. Bradford Soap never generated or transported hazardous substances that were disposed of at the Site.
- 3. Bradford Soap acquired by purchase in 2003 certain assets of The Hewitt Soap Company. Inc. ("Hewitt") but did not assume any pre-purchase liabilities of Hewitt. Moreover, such 2003 asset purchase occurred well after the South Dayton Landfill was closed.

Therefore, based on the foregoing, Bradford Soap asserts that it has no liability under CERCLA with regard to the Site, and thus it is not willing to perform or finance the investigation and remediation activities cited in the General Notice letter.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me. Thank you.



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Sincerely yours,

Richard A. Sherman

cc: John Howland, Bradford Soap International, Inc.

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